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800 Market Street, Suite 143
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Dear Judge Varlan,

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Clerk, U. S. District Court
Eastern District of Tennessee
At Knoxville

COMPASSIONATE RELEASE

Tamral Guzman-Inmate no. 43512-074, Case no.3:10 – CR – 161.

Reasons why Tamral should be released from the Tallahassee Federal Correctional Institution are as follows:

1. The TFCI is understaffed and overworked.
 - a. No doctor on duty Since May 20, 2020
 - b. Transgenders get better medical care than other female prisoners
 - c. No pharmacist during these times in 2020: Sept.11 to Sept.18, Oct. 1 to Oct.7, Oct. 15 to Oct. 24. Inmates suffering withdrawal symptoms
 - d. Lab work has not been done for months
 - e. Pandemic guidelines not followed regarding six feet distancing rule. Sleeping distances are three feet apart. More than 87 inmates and 18 officers have COVID-19. Tamral's unit now has COVID-19 as well. There has been one death from COVID-19 and one death from smoking K2 in the showers. Tamral collapsed from inhaling fumes from K2 while showering.
 - f. Care level 2 patients with pre-existing medical conditions do not have follow ups.
 - g. Medical records have been falsified. Written complaints are lost, misplaced, or ignored.
2. Timeliness and communication with counselors regarding paperwork
 - a. Inmates have difficulty securing needed copies of paperwork necessary to process requests for release from prison.
 - b. Medical histories are difficult to obtain to process for compassionate release.
 - c. Communication with counselors happen at mainline where counselors seldom eat. This could be because of COVID-19.
3. Quality of food served at the TFCI
 - a. Three other inmates have indicated that meat packages have NOT FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION labeled on them.
 - b. Food is spoiled because of the way it is stored. Milk is often curdled.
 - c. Roaches are in the food, the kitchen and almost every building is infested.
4. Safety of inmates
 - a. The three inmates who provided me this information are afraid for their safety. Our daughter (step daughter) who is a stage 4 cancer survivor has a painful bladder problem that needs surgery immediately. She needs to be home to have that surgery.

Tamral is a member of a large family. We look after our family members. I urgently request that you release our daughter so she can get the surgery that she needs so desperately and proper care afterwards. We do not want her to get COVID-19 and her three daughters need her home for Thanksgiving. I ask this in the name of Jesus Christ.

Respectfully Submitted,

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